



NEAR MISSES... Two of the eleven "acts" which competed in the Torrance Area Youth Band's Talent contest last Monday night were these lassies from Torrance. Janeene Columbo, accordionist on the left and Grace Lafferty, lyric soprano.

Fund Drive for Seaside Light Posts Underway

Residents of Seaside Rancho are whipping plans into shape this week for their money raising project which calls for a varied program of activities ending with a bang-up carnival in Seaside Rancho Park on the Fourth of July.

Purpose of the fund-raising program is to raise money for ornamental light standards for Seaside Rancho. The goal set is 33 standards and the total amount necessary to be raised is \$1980.

Plans already have been put into action with a series of private parties which took place last week end. Other parties are on the calendar for every week

end up to the finale—the carnival itself.

The first big event is the square dance tomorrow night at Attebery's, 4162 Sepulveda, Torrance. The price of the tickets is 50 cents each. A small portable Crosley radio donated by L. H. Hawkins Furniture Store in North Redondo, will be given away. Regular dancing also will

take place tomorrow night. The dance is open to the public and tickets may be purchased at the door. Refreshment and soft drinks will be on sale.

A large bingo party planned for about 30 people is on the schedule for Saturday night May 21. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Suter, Jr. of Doris Way will act as host and hostess, and Mrs.

Paul Roettger will assist. Plans are not yet completed for the Carnival de los Ranchos at Seaside Rancho Park July 4th, but entertainment is promised for the whole family including baseball games, races of all kinds, and a pooling of fireworks in the evening. The public is invited.

GOOSETOWN HILLBILLIES WIN TALENT CONTEST

The Goosetown Hillbillies walked away with the top honors in the amateur talent contest last Monday night in the Civic Auditorium.

Other winners in the contest staged by the Torrance Area Youth Bands Inc. were Joan Pagonos, comedy vocalist, and the Flying Marvels, roller skating whizzes.

Judges for the contest were David J. Malloy, Freeman Lusk, Al Gillis, Rita Johnson, and Estelle Taylor.

Next Monday night, May 16, the Los Angeles Elks' 49th band of 99 members, directed by Colonel Vesey Walker, will give a free concert at 8:00 p.m. in the Torrance Civic Auditorium. This band took state and national championship in Portland, Oregon, in 1947. The band is appearing here to help the Torrance Area Youth Band in their five-week drive to raise money for uniforms, instruments, and operating expenses for next year.

Monday night, May 23, a jazz concert will be given.

Saturday, May 28, there will be several band concerts, at huge parade at 2:30 in the afternoon, and the Torrance Band's "Third Anniversary Concert."

Bank of America Buys Manhattan Water Bonds

Bank of America on May 4 purchased from the City of Manhattan Beach City Council, \$200,000 City of Manhattan Beach Waterworks Bonds. The bank bid two and one-half percent interest for bonds dated May 1, 1949, maturing May 1, 1950 to 1959, inclusive, plus a premium of \$279.

The bank also purchased from the Burbank City Council \$600,000 City of Burbank Sewage Disposal Bonds. The bid was one and three-fourths percent interest for the bonds dated June 1, 1949, maturing June 1, 1950 to 1959, inclusive, plus a premium of \$5,641.

Building Permit Figures in April Show Decline

Building permits for both the City of Torrance and adjacent unincorporated county territory showed a decided drop during April 1949 as compared with the same month a year ago.

April this year the office of Building Inspector John Patrick issued 68 permits for a total evaluation of \$281,503. Last year in April 73 permits were granted totaling \$385,190.

This year's April total showed \$167,850 in new residential permits granted, \$98,653 in non-residential permits issued, and an additional \$15,000 in repair and addition permits granted.

The city's total for the year to date is lagging behind that of a year ago. In 1948 at this time the building permits issued totaled \$1,131,653 as against \$646,786 for the current year.

William J. Fox, chief engineer of the County Department of Building and Safety, said the figures for the county were down approximately seven per cent as compared to a year ago. The general trend, however, seemed upward as April was ahead of March by \$2,000,000, Fox said.

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